

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION INC.

**SEVENTY-FIRST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HELD ON THURSDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER 1987, AT 6:30 P.M.
IN ROOM AD-131, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, LOYOLA CAMPUS**

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING:

BD-71-D1: Motion re CUSA fee increase
BD-71-D2: CUSA budget report
BD-71-D3: CUSA budget 87-88
BD-71-D4: Students to be ratified
BD-71-D5: Motion re Library hours
BD-71-D6: Resignation Programming V.P.
BD-71-D7: Jewish religious holidays

1.1 CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Diane Dyson called the meeting to order at 7:06 without quorum. There were no objections to proceeding with the informal items on the Agenda.

1.2 ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:

CO-PRESIDENTS:

Maxine Clarke
Robert Douglas

COMMERCE:

Cherine Hamam (8:05)

ENGINEERING:

Martin Corej
Louis Hotte

ABSENT:

Arts and Science: Thomas Burnside, Andrew Jolicoeur,
Andrew Madsen, Morty Shapiro (W/R), Nick Woollard

ARTS AND SCIENCE:

Glen Cheverie (7:46)
Paul Gott
Jeffrey Gordon
Alex Macpherson
Shawn O'Hara
Niki Rossman
Emma Tibaldo
Marijan Benc

FINE ARTS:

Jaime Yip

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Commerce Lianne Bastien, Mimi Bengio, Andrew Boosamra,
Evangelos Mylonakis (W/R)
Engineering: Stefan Potocki (W/R), Salomon Joe Serruya
Fine Arts Andreas Seibert

Advisors to the Board Present: Scott White, Finance V.P. (8:20);
Alex Gay, Judicial Board; Sonia Cancian, Programming V.P.

2 APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

It was suggested that the Reports (item 8) be moved up to become item 4. It was also suggested that Approval of new Club be added as a new item 6.3. There were no objections and the Agenda was approved with these amendments.

3 CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS:

Chairperson Diane Dyson noted that this was the first meeting of the year without quorum but that the meeting was called to order late again. She also asked that Directors respect the speakers list during meetings.

4 REPORTS:

4.1 Co-Presidents' Report:

Robert Douglas reported that at today's Board of Governors meeting Rector Kenniff asked the Board that his office be given the authority to set certain fees upon recommendation of the Vice-Rector Academic. This motion was carried.

Regarding the reduction of library hours, Robert Douglas reported that many hours had been spent on this campaign and that 2000 of the 4000 cards printed for this campaign had already been signed and would be presented at the Senate meeting on the following day.

Robert Douglas stated that J.C. Chayer had been hired as the Administrative Department Head for CUSA following interviews by the Hiring and Appointments Committee.

Maxine Clarke reported that Sonia Cancian, the Programming V.P. had resigned but would remain available until a new V.P. was found. Maxine then read Sonia's letter of resignation (BD-71-D6).

Maxine Clarke reminded the Board that clubs on campus day was September 21 and stated that CUSA should have a table at this event. Maxine asked that Directors willing to work at the table submit their names to her.

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Maxine Clarke read a list of the upcoming Jewish holidays so that all Board members would be aware of them and not schedule meetings for these dates (BD-71-D7).

Maxine Clarke reminded Board members of CUSA's sponsorship of the Assistant to the Researcher on the Status of Women position and reported that the position would be advertised in the Link and the Concordian.

Paul Gott asked Robert Douglas why there were only two votes against the motion about fees at the Board of Governors meeting. Robert Douglas pointed out that there are only three student representatives on the Board of Governors. Paul Gott asked who was missing at that meeting. Robert Douglas replied that Maxine Clarke was absent. Randy Orr commented that last year the Board of Governors gave up their authority to look over graduation lists and now the Board was giving up their fiscal powers.

4.2 Executive reports:

There were no executive reports at this meeting.

5 QUESTION PERIOD:

Shawn O'Hara asked why this meeting was being held at the Administration building instead of the Loyola Campus Center. Diane Dyson replied that the Campus Center was not available.

Shawn O'Hara pointed out that some students had complained about CUSA TODAY using the wrong dates and having many errors. Robert Douglas explained that there was a new communications V.P. and that this was his first issue.

Shawn O'Hara commented that Safeway chez-vous has received no money from CUSA, despite their need. Maxine Clarke reported that the finance committee had decided not to make a donation this year as they had last year. Shawn O'Hara asked if a loan was possible, to which Robert Douglas replied that the finance committee would have to be consulted.

Jaime Yip pointed out that the receptionists need more training in the form of a program rather than 'on the job'. Maxine Clarke stated that training had been given by the Services V.P. but perhaps more was needed.

Shawn O'Hara announced that an External Committee is being formed. The first meeting will be Tuesday, September 22 at 4:30 in room H-645. Marijan Benc asked how External Committee Members

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would be chosen. Shawn O'Hara replied that last year the members were approved 'en bloc' by the Board of Directors. Marijan Benc suggested that the Board of Directors approve the members first. Shawn O'Hara explained that the first meeting was an informational one and was not to form the committee.

6 OLD BUSINESS:

As there still was no quorum, items 6.1 (CUSA fee increase), 6.2 (Appointments) and 6.3 (Approval of new club) were postponed.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Reduction of library hours:

Diane Dyson read MOTION 431. As there was no quorum, the item was not formally moved and a discussion ensued. Robert Douglas announced that he would ask about library hours and present the signed cards at tomorrow's Senate meeting. He commented that the University prided itself on part-time students, yet made no provision for them to study after work. He also said that the Steering Committee would draft a motion for the next Senate meeting. Randy Orr said that there had been a Library committee meeting today and asked if any students were present. Robert Douglas replied that no students were present. Randy also asked how the reduced hours were passed at the Library Committee over the summer where there are student representatives. Paul Gott replied that the decision had not come from the Library Committee. Shawn O'Hara emphasized the importance of maintaining pressure on all committees. Randy Orr stated that the library workers were on the side of students. These changes were made without consulting the users. He also asked what happened to the reallocation of funds. Alex Macpherson stated that an information campaign geared at students was needed and that the Board of Directors should pass a motion. Robert Douglas said that he had met with Claire, a library worker representative. She said the staff would be meeting tonight to discuss the possibility of a joint action among workers, graduates and undergraduates.

7.2 ACCESS TO UNIVERSITY AFTER HOURS:

Robert Douglas stated that from now on the University is closed to undergraduate students after hours. He said that students need access to the university and a formal protest should be launched. Alex Macpherson said students need access to the laboratories after hours. Paul Gott said that this should be brought to the attention of the University administration. Marijan Benc asked if the radio station closed because of this change. Paul Gott said

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that Security was limiting after hours passes and that Security officers were checking up on DJs. He also said that Security has prevented bands from coming in to use equipment on weekends.

8 OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business at this time.

RECESS

At 7:55 the informal meeting recessed for 10 minutes. One person was needed to reach quorum and a Board Member was expected to arrive at 8:00.

RECONVENED 8:05

with quorum

MOVE to approve all previous business and integrate those items into the formal meeting.

Moved by: Alex Macpherson
Seconded by: Shawn O'Hara

VOTE

Unanimous

6.2 Appointments:

MOTION 427:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following people be ratified as student Senate representatives:

Monica Kaufmann	Randy Orr
Maureen Chin	Jeff Cowan
Maxine Clarke	Mark Mayer
Robert Douglas	Jim Bardis
Yen Jen	Jeff Brown

Moved by: Alex Macpherson
Seconded by: Paul Gott

Discussion:

Randy Orr asked why there was no representation from Fine Arts and pointed out that all faculties should be represented. Robert Douglas replied that there had been no applicants from Fine Arts. Randy emphasized the need for recruitment to fill these positions. Alex Macpherson stated that a conscious effort had been made to represent all faculties.

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The candidates present left the room for the vote.

VOTE ON MOTION 427:

Unanimous

Maxine Clarke nominated Randy Orr to the position of Education V.P. She said that the position had been advertised for a week and a half and five applications had been received. Randy introduced himself, stating his background, priorities and objectives. He asked the Board's permission to retain his job as a CUSA receptionist if ratified. He reasons were that he likes his job and it allows him to have close contact with students. He offered to waive his honorarium in exchange for keeping his job. Board members asked how many hours per week he worked, the number of courses he was taking this year and the amount of time he could put into education. There being no further questions, Randy Orr left the room for the vote.

MOTION 428:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Randy Orr be appointed to the position of Education V.P.

Moved by: Robert Douglas
Seconded by: Marijan Benc

VOTE ON MOTION 428

Unanimous

MOTION 429:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors approve the hiring of Brent Jones (Comptroller) and J.C. Chayer (Administrative Department Head).

Moved by: Glen Cheverie
Seconded by: Marijan Benc

Robert Douglas stated that it was not necessary for the Board to ratify CUSA employees.

VOTE ON MOTION 429:

9/2/3 Carried

6.3 Approval of new club:

MOTION 430:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Palestinian Human Rights Collective be approved as a CUSA club.

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Moved by: Robert Douglas
Seconded by: Cherine Hamam

Discussion:

Alex Guay of Judicial Board reported that the constitution has been reviewed. There were small problems with the wording but it was approved. Glen Cheverie asked if anyone from the Liaison Committee was present. Robert Douglas said that the Liaison Committee had not yet been set up when the application was made. Glen Cheverie said that this group should go through Liaison Committee. Paul Gott asked the club's representative what the group's purposes and functions were. The representative replied that they receive reports of human rights violations and would be trying to set up a resource center. Paul Gott questioned the representative as to membership. The representative stated that the group was open to all. Alex Macpherson asked about the criteria of Judicial Board. Alex Guay said that the Judicial Board studied the constitution, membership criteria and the decision making process in comparison to other collectives in CUSA. He said that a majority-bases procedure should be used rather than consensus. Marijan Benc asked the club's representative what the objective was for membership. The representative replied that there would be a membership drive. Max Wallace, an observer, asked why the Judicial Board decided that consensus needed to be changed to a majority system. He pointed out that the Clean Air Coalition, a CUSA group, operates on consensus. Maxine Clarke emphasized the need for a political group of this nature. Alex Guay said that there was no problem with consensus decision-making in itself. He pointed out that the term simply was not consistently defined in the contitution.

VOTE ON MOTION 430:

12/0/2 Carried

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Reduction of library hours:

MOTION 431:

WHEREAS Concordia University has historically had
adequate library study facilities, and

WHEREAS it is the University's obligation to staff and
students to maintain library hours and study
facilities, and

WHEREAS library hours were recently unilaterally cut by
the University without adequate consultation with
professors, staff or students,

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Undergraduate representatives of Senate be given a mandate to demand that the library hours established at the beginning of the summer and published in the 1987 CUSA Handbook be reinstituted immediately and maintained for the remainder of this academic year.

Moved by: Paul Gott
Seconded by: Robert Douglas

Discussion:

As this item had been discussed previously during the informal meeting, and as there were no objections, the Board proceeded to a vote.

VOTE ON MOTION 431

Unanimous

6.1 CUSA fee increase:

MOTION 432.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the CUSA Board of Directors submit to a referendum a fee increase (from \$1.60 to \$2.00).

Moved by: Maxine Clarke
Seconded by: Robert Douglas

Discussion:

Scott White presented the CUSA budget (document BD-71-D3) and the CUSA budget report (document BD-71-D2). He reported that CUSA has a deficit of \$400,000 or more all of which is owed to the University, not the bank. He reported that CUSA's projected deficit is \$100,000 or more. Scott also said that the University will take \$200,000 out of the CUSA fees when the fees come in. A long discussion ensued. Board members questioned how much money was needed to cover CUSA's expenses and how the money from the fee increase would be spent.

MOVE to table this item.

Moved by: Glen Cheverie
Seconded by: Niki Rossman

VOTE.

9/5/0 Adopted

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7.1 Access to University after hours:

MOVE to table this item.

Moved by: Marijan Benc
Seconded by: Cherine Hamam

VOTE 3/3/0 Defeated

MOTION 433:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT an official letter of complaint be sent to the University stating CUSA's opposition to further restricting access to the University after hours.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Co-Presidents look into this matter.

VOTE ON MOTION 433: Unanimous

8 OTHER BUSINESS:

Sonia Cancian reported that a speaker on foreign service examinations will be coming next week. Someone had evidently felt that this contravened CUSA policy and had been taking down posters advertising this event. Alex Macpherson asked Max Wallace why, as a CUSA employee, he had taken the posters down. Max apologized and stated that he was not the only person who had taken down posters. He explained that he felt the event violated CUSA policy because the foreign service maintains an office in South Africa. He admitted that he should have followed the proper procedure to contest the event, but he had already obtained the co-presidents' permission. Maxine Clarke, responding to Marijan Benc's question, said that no such permission had been granted. Paul Gott commented that although Max's reasons were valid, his methods were not.

MOTION 434:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CUSA report any student who removes or tears down CUSA approved posters without going through proper channels and presenting their views to the Board of Directors to the Code of Conduct Board.

VOTE ON MOTION 434: 10/1/1 Carried

Cherine Hamam told board Members that she is not available for Monday night meetings.

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9 TIME, PLACE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Chairperson Diane Dyson announced that the next meeting will take place on September 28, 1987.

10 ADJOURNMENT:

MOVE to adjourn.

Moved by: Shawn O'Hara
Seconded by: Jeff Gordon

There were no objections to this motion and the meeting was adjourned at 10:27 P.M.

Diane Dyson, Chairperson

J.C. Chayer, Recording Secretary

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